

BE FLOOD AWARE 2012 – A Public Outreach Requirement of the NFIP - Community Rating System

### **Where to turn for emergency information**

Fargo residents should be aware of where to turn for emergency information. Whenever there are threatening conditions (flood/tornado/thunderstorm watches or warnings) tune to a local radio/TV station or TV Fargo 12 for emergency information. Be prepared!

- Sign up for CodeRED for emergency alerts sent directly to your telephone
- A Vulnerable Population Registry is available from Fargo Cass Public Health
- Buy a flood insurance policy (new policies become effective 30 days after purchase)
- Be prepared and make a family emergency plan/kit, complete with supplies and contact information

For more information visit [www.cityoffargo.com/emergencies](http://www.cityoffargo.com/emergencies) or call one of the contact numbers below.

<i>Fargo Cass Emergency Management 476-4068, Fargo Cass Public Health 241-1360, City Engineering 241-1545</i>
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### **Engineering Department**

The City of Fargo Engineering Department is the official repository for flood maps (FIRM) and related floodplain documents. If you need help understanding whether or not you are in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) or wish to discuss your specific situation related to floodplain topics, the engineering staff is available at City Hall from 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday.

Stop by our office if you want more information about the following:

- FEMA flood maps, flood control projects and storm water management
- Elevation Certificates (available for public viewing at the engineering office)
- Letters of Map Change (LOMA, LOMR, LOMR-F, etc) - are available for public viewing
- Neighborhood photos of previous Fargo flood events along the Red River
- Measures you can take to lessen the impact of flood on your home

Information about the floodplain, flood insurance or stormwater related topics are also available from several online sources [www.cityoffargo.com](http://www.cityoffargo.com), [www.fargofloodinsurance.com](http://www.fargofloodinsurance.com), [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov), [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov). Many topics can be found quickly by using the search feature on the homepage. Just type in your topic and the search will bring you to the information page.

### **Stormwater Stream Dumping Regulations**

Street inlets drain directly into the river so be careful what you allow down them. Never dump detergent, grease, oil, gas, paint or washwater in the stormwater system. Even mower clippings have a negative effect on our stormwater system. Protect our drinking water and properly place these items at the Household Hazardous waste site 606 43 1/2 Street.

Help keep maintenance costs low by allowing only rainwater to go down the inlet. If you see illegal dumping please report it 241-1545.

Look up all prohibited discharges under Chapter 37, Storm Water Management by searching "Chapter 37" on the city's home page or stop by the engineering office for more information.